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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH DOBRYNIN JUNE 21

1. SECRETARY MET WITH DOBRYNIN JUNE 21 AND FOLLOWING  
SUBJECTS WERE DISCUSSED:

DATE FOR GROMYKO MEETING:

DOBRYNIN SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY GROMYKO TO FIND OUT WHEN  
WE WISHED TO HAVE THE NEXT MEETING WITH HIM. SECRETARY  
SUGGESTED A MEETING DURING THE PERIOD JULY 21-31, AVOIDING  
PERIOD OF BONN SUMMIT. SECRETARY STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE  
OF ADVANCE PREPARATION ON BOTH SIDES TO ENSURE A PRODUCTIVE  
MEETING. DOBRYNIN SAID HE WOULD CHECK AND ADVISE WHETHER  
GROMYKO'S SCHEDULE PERMITTED A MEETING DURING THAT PERIOD.

RESPONSE TO PRAVDA ARTICLE:

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SECRETARY TOLD DOBRYNIN THAT THE PRESIDENT AND HE SAW NO  
CONSTRUCTIVE PURPOSE IN FURTHER RHETORICAL EXCHANGES, AND  
WERE THEREFORE ISSUING A STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT WE  
SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON CONCRETE ACTIONS. DOBRYNIN THOUGHT  
THIS WAS A USEFUL APPROACH.

NEGATIVE SOVIET ACTIONS:

SECRETARY POINTED OUT TO DOBRYNIN THAT WE WERE WORKING HARD TO PUT SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS ONTO A SOUNDER FOOTING, BUT THAT A NUMBER OF SOVIET ACTIONS WERE MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR US TO DO SO. SECRETARY MENTIONED THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC MATTERS:

A. THE SENTENCING OF SLEPAK AND NUDEL TO EXILE FOR "HOOLIGANISM."

B. THE ARREST OF CRAWFORD AND SOVIET PRESS ASSERTIONS ABOUT ALLEGED CURRENCY VIOLATIONS BY HIM.

C. ADDITIONAL SOVIET EFFORTS TO DIG INTO THE CHIMNEY OF OUR EMBASSY IN MOSCOW. (DOBRYNIN SAID HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE EPISODE.)

DOBRYNIN'S RESPONSES TO THE FOREGOING WERE STANDARD FARE. HE ALSO RAISED THE CASE OF THE TWO SOVIET UN EMPLOYEES, AND REPORTED THE EFFORTS OF THEIR LAWYERS TO OBTAIN FROM THE COURT A REDUCTION OF BAIL. VANCE

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